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From Dr. del Rio, the quarantine physician of this port, I learned that the disinfection and inspection of baggage would soon be discontinued.

I will notify you by cable when it is done, so that Havana may be prepared for any extra rush at the quarantine station.

Respectfully,

S. H. Hodgson,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields—Fruit port.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, October 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following weekly report: Two steamships have been inspected and cleared—both for New Orleans. The *Hiram*, with 2 passengers and 3 pieces of baggage, and the *Sunniva*, with 7 passengers and 16 pieces of baggage. The requisite disinfection was done and certificates given, copies of which are inclosed.

Three deaths occurred in Bluefields during the week ended October 21, viz: One native female, adult, of nephrites; 1 native adult, female, tuberculosis; 1 American male, adult, tuberculosis. The sanitary condition of the port and adajcent territory is satisfactory.

Respectfully,

D. W. GOODMAN,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Deaths in Iloilo from June 1 to August 31, 1900.

Manila, P. I., September 13, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit for your information the following report from Asst. Surg. L. D. Fricks, relative to the mortality statistics of Iloilo: The number of deaths in Iloilo during the last three months shows an increase, especially noticeable for August. The reports were as follows: June, 48; July, 59; August, 105; classed by the city health officer as follows: Beriberi, 12; bronchitis, 1; convulsions, 31; dysentery, 11; childbirth, 1; enteritis, 5; malarial fever, 29; phthisis pulmonalis, 8; senility, 5; stillborn, 2.

The greatest increase in mortality is among the children and is per-

haps due to the advent of the rainy season.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

A death from plague in Manila.

Manila, P. I., September 25, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that 1 case of plague, resulting fatally, occurred in Manila during the week ended September 22, 1900. The total number of deaths for this period was 248.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine Hospital Service.